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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: JON N. LEONARD

SERIAL NO.: 09/475,112

FILED: December 30, 1999

FOR: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING THE ORIGINATOR OF AN ELECTRONIC MAIL MESSAGE TO PRESET AN EXPIRATION TIME, DATE, AND/OR EVENT, AND TO CONTROL AND TRACK PROCESSING OR HANDLING BY ALL RECIPIENTS

GROUP ART UNIT: 2174

EXAMINER: L. Nguyen

ATTY. REFERENCE: LEJO001/BEU

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Transmitted herewith is a communication/amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is claimed.
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The fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below:

Fee Basis	Number of Claims After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Extra Claims	Small Entity	Full Fee
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Also enclosed is/are: Appendix A (Clean Copy of Amended Claims); Appendix B (Marked-Up Copy of Amended Claims);

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For: System And Method For Enabling The Originator Of An Electronic Mail Message
To Preset An Expiration Time, Date, And/Or Event, And To Control And Track
Processing Or Handling By All Recipients

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner For Patents
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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action dated December 23, 2002. A petition for a two-month extension of time together with the appropriate fees accompanies this response so that it is timely filed. Kindly amend the application in accordance with the following particulars:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 11, 14, 15, 19, 22, and 25, as indicated by the clean copy in Appendix A and the marked-up copy in Appendix B, attached hereto.

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested for the following reasons:

1. Interview

Examiner's Le and Kincaid are thanked for the courtesy extended during an interview at Ms. Kincaid's office on May 14, 2003. During the interview, the amendments presented below were discussed generally (no written version was presented), and the following points were made by the undersigned:

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